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**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS
&
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a 3-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

With the granting of said extension, it is believed that this response is timely filed. The

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2613 for the 3-month

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during the pendency of this application. The amendment and response address the issues raised

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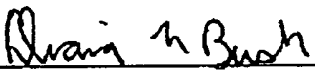
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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